

*A message from Ron Sparks, Commissioner
Department of Agriculture & Industries*



As Commissioner, my goal is to serve the farmers and consumers of this state to the best of my abilities. Our department has worked with several agencies to create this brochure to help farmers understand more clearly the very complicated rules and regulations associated with highway safety. We consider it a privilege to work for the people of Alabama, and if there is anything this department can do to better serve you, please contact us.

*A message from Col. J. Christopher Murphy,
Director, Department of Public Safety*



Alabama's state troopers are on patrol every day, enforcing traffic laws, responding to crashes, and assisting motorists. Our job is to help ensure safety on our roadways, but we can't do the job alone. Every driver in Alabama plays an important part in highway and traffic safety. That is why the Department of Public Safety asks for your help — and that of every motorist — in observing the laws that promote safety, including those in this brochure. At DPS, we are committed to your safety and proud to work as your partner to make Alabama's roadways as safe as possible.



Cooperating Organizations

Alabama Cattlemen's Association

Alabama Farmers Federation

Alabama Forestry Association

Alabama Nursery & Landscape Association

Alabama Poultry & Egg Association

Alabama Farmers Cooperative



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Alabama Highway Safety Requirements for Farmers



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MAKE BY: DATUM/DARYSLER DATE OF INV: 5-01
 4763 1KG19500 LB
 2042 KG(4500 LB) L7235/60K16-E
 14,000 = 24,500

MANUFACTURED BY
WILSON
 TRAILER COMPANY
 P.O. BOX 8715 DOWNEY CITY, ILL. 60420
 848-738-1242 (714) 238-5449

DATE OF MANUFACTURE	GROSS WEIGHT	GROSS WEIGHT
01/01/88	15,000 LB	15,000 LB
02/1/88	7,000 LB	7,000 LB
08/08/89	20,470 LB	20,470 LB

The Vehicle Is:	The Weight Rating Is:	The Law Says:
Straight truck, truck with trailer (other than passenger buses and hazardous materials haulers)	26,000 pounds or less	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exempt from all federal regulations while operating in Alabama
Straight truck, truck with trailer (other than hazardous materials haulers)	More than 26,000 pounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Driver must be at least 18 years old to operate a combination vehicle (49 CFR 391.67) Driver must meet physical qualifications to operate a combination vehicle (49 CFR 391.67) Vehicle inspection, repair and maintenance reports, including driver vehicle inspection reports, if more than one commercial vehicle is owned (49 CFR 396) Exempt from all other federal regulations while operating in Alabama within 150 air miles of the farm (49 CFR 390.5)
Farm-owned vehicle operating within 150 air miles of the farm		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No CDL, DOT markings or DOT registration required
Vehicle transporting agricultural or farm supplies for agricultural purposes in Alabama at any time of year		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No hours-of-service rules for driver (49 CFR 395)